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REF: A. GATT DOC L/3972, NOV. 30, 1973 B. GENEVA 5886, PARA 12(B)

- 1. REF A ANNOUNCES BRAZILIAN DECISION TO REQUEST SIX-MONTH EXTENSION OF WAIVER (L/3815) TO PERMIT COMPLETION OF ART. 28 RENEGOTIATIONS WITH UK. SUBJECT WILL BE ON GATT COUNCIL AGENDA DEC 19.
- 2. WHEN BRAZIL ADVISED COUNCIL EARLY NOV IT MIGHT REQUIRE EXTENSION, UK SIAD IT SAW NO NEED (REF B). EC AND UK INITIATED FURTHER DEBATE ON THIS MATTER DURING 29TH SESSION OF CPS. SEE SR/29/1, ITEM 13(A) WHERE UK POINTED OUT IT ACCEPTED BRAZILIAN OFFER OF COMPENSATION ON JUNE 3, 1973 AND ALL THAT REMAINS TO BE DONE IS FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GOB TO AUTHORIZE ITS REPS TO SIGN.

- 3. EC REP (LUYTEN) PRIVATELY TOLD US EC THINKS
 BRAZIL WANTS TO DEFER SETTLEMENT WITH UK UNTIL MTN
 ACTUALLY UNDERWAY. LUYTEN INDICATED EC HAS NO
 SY PATHY FOR THIS TACTIC AND MAY PREFER TO VOTE
 AGAINST WAIVER EXTENSION IN HOPES OF DEGEATING IT
 BUT HINTED EC MIGHT ACQUIESCE IN SHORT EXTENSION, SAY
 THREE MONTHS. BRAZILIAN REP, IN ASKING US SUPPORT, INDICATED TO US
 PRIVATELY SECOND THOUGHT ABOUT SETTLING WITH UK STEM FROM
 BRAXILIAN DOUBTS AND UNHAPPINESS ABOUT OUTCOME OF 24:6. COUNCIL
 CHAIRMAN LAI PRIVATELY SUGGESTING THREE MONTHS' EXTENSION.
- 4. MISSION SUGGESTS WE BE AUTHORIZED SUPPORT EITHER SIX-MONTH EXTENSION OR SHORTER PERIOD. IF WAIVER NOT EXTENDED, BRAZIL WILL BE ILLEGALLY APPLYING SOME DUTIES ABOVE RATES WHICH WE DO NOT THINK SERVES ANYONE'S INTEREST. BASSIN

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